

THE WEATHER: Showers Sunday; Monday partly cloudy; light southerly winds.

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## MANY NEW CASES OF FEVER REPORTED

A Large Proportion of Which Were Finally Diagnosed As Malaria or Typhoid.

PUBLIC IS HOPEFUL

Citizens of New Orleans Undismayed By Report.

A TOTAL OF ONE HUNDRED AND FIVE NEW CASES AND NINE DEATHS REPORTED—LEVEE WORK SUFFERING BY REASON OF STRICT QUARANTINE—348 CASES UNDER TREATMENT.

New Orleans, Aug. 12.—The official report up to 6 o'clock this evening is as follows: New cases 105; total cases to date 913. Deaths today 9; total deaths to date 142. New sub-foci, 25; total sub-foci 185. Cases under treatment 348.

MANY CASES WERE DIAGNOSED MALARIA.

New Orleans, Aug. 12.—The exertions of inspectors of the Marine Hospital Service in conjunction with voluntary reports of physicians produced an aggregation of new cases numbering over one hundred today of all classes of fever. The public, however, having reconciled itself to the expectation of a heavy list for some days to come was undismayed by the report and the health authorities saw no occasion for concern over the showing. Both lay and scientific opinion still consider the situation hopeful.

It is admitted that not all the cases embraced in the daily totals given by the authorities are actually cases of yellow fever. Even at the emergency hospital, to which the worst cases go most of them have been diagnosed malaria or a form of typhoid. The federal authorities consider it infinitely better that many cases of malaria shall be erroneously reported as yellow fever than that a single case of yellow fever should escape report, for the such case improperly handled is liable to spread infection through a whole neighborhood.

Dr. White's appeal to the physicians had a marked effect today and the number of doctors who visited the marine hospital offices to make reports of cases was larger than at any time since the fever made its appearance.

Levee work under the direction of the State and Levee Board is suffering. This is the season of greatest activity in levee building, due to the necessity of putting all levees in shape before high water, but the state engineers are still bottled up here and unable to go to points where work is in progress owing to quarantines. Unless there is a modification of the quarantines in their interest a considerable setback will be given to repair and reconstruction work.

Carl A. Scaaf, a reporter on the item is a victim of the disease today. He nursed his wife through an attack of yellow fever.

The figures today speak for themselves. It was a record day all around. The only feature of the report that can be taken as encouraging is the very few cases above Canal street. Dr. Perkins, chief of the force of medical inspectors reported five of the new cases. These cases are among a large batch which had been reported as suspicious and which he investigated today.

Assistant Surgeon Berry who was stricken with fever night before last is reported as doing well. News from outside the city contains nothing startling.

## REPUBLIC STAKES WON BY SISSON

Sarasota, Aug. 12.—The great Republic stakes, fifty thousand dollars for three year olds, one mile and a quarter, was won by Sisson by 1 to 4 in the betting, with Ossana second and Broomstick third. Time 2:07.

## Famous Automobile Racer Badly Injured at Cleveland

Cleveland, Aug. 12.—While warming up to the automobile races today, Earl Kiser, one of the most famous automobile racers in the country, ran into a fence and was hurled from the machine, striking against a post. His

## THREW NEWLY BORN INFANT INTO WELL

Sensation Caused at Marianna by Inhuman Act of Colored Mother—Held for Murder.

Special to The Journal. Marianna, Aug. 12.—Quite a sensation was created in Marianna yesterday when Marshal Behemer placed a colored woman named Bertha Spencer under arrest for murder. The woman stoutly denies all knowledge of the affair.

On Tuesday from what evidence has been found the woman gave birth to a child and following marks, etc. leading from the house, Mr. Behemer became suspicious and caused the water to be drawn from the well. While this was under way the woman visited the well and drinking from it said it was all right but as the work proceeded she became nervous and attempted to throw herself into the well. Later when the water was drawn off the body of a new born infant was found. The doctors, after examination, found that it had been thrown into the well while alive.

The coroner's jury held the woman to answer to the charge of murder in the first degree.

## AT MERCY OF A HURRICANE

New York, Aug. 12.—For twenty-four hours the Hamburg-American liner Graf Waldersee drifted at the mercy of a hurricane which struck her during the trans-Atlantic voyage which the steamship finished Friday in safety. On arrival at her pier only two hours late, the passengers held a reception to thank Captain A. Krech for bringing them safely through the heaviest storm experienced in the history of the Graf Waldersee and probably one of the worst ever faced by an Atlantic liner.

The storm began on the morning of August 2. A few hours later waves were rolling over the ship, all passengers were locked beneath decks, and bags of oil were poured over the ship's sides for thirty-six hours as a protection. During twenty-four hours the waves ran so high that the steering gear of the liner was inadequate to keep her in her course, and the ship practically drifted with the storm. Some lifeboats and deck superstructures were carried overboard by the waves. At the height of the storm a baby was born in the steerage and named after the ship.

## NEW BATTLESHIP KANSAS LAUNCHED

Philadelphia, Aug. 12.—The battleship Kansas, the largest war vessel ever built in the east, was launched today at Camden, N. J. The launching was witnessed by Governor Hoch, of Kansas, whose daughter was sponsor for the ship. The vessel was christened with water from John Brown's spring, in Kansas, instead of the traditional bottle of champagne.

Negro Shot By Posse. Monroe, La., Aug. 12.—"Boj" Jones, a negro brakeman on the Iron Mountain Railroad, who assaulted Conductor Haddon, of that road Wednesday, was shot and dangerously wounded last night at 12 o'clock by a posse that had been searching for the negro since the assault. Jones was located in a house near the Planters' Oil Mill, and was shot while attempting to make his escape. It is said he fired on the posse as he ran from the house. His chances of recovery are small.

## OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT GIVES HOPE OF PEACE

### LITTLE DONE ON THE PANAMA CANAL

Canal Employee Believes the Big Ditch Can Be Completed In Five Years.

Washington, Aug. 12.—Andrew M. Leslie, of Monroeville, Ala., who has been in the employ of the Panama Canal Commission on the isthmus since November last, is spending a portion of his vacation in Washington. "Up to this time very little has been done in the matter of solid work on the canal," said Mr. Leslie. "I am employed in the Sewerage, Water and Road Department, and have been right at my post of duty for eight months, and have not been sick a day since my arrival there from Monroeville, Ala. There is considerable sickness there—malaria fever and some yellow fever—in fact, there is more than the average mortality, especially among unacclimated people from the states.

"Health conditions on the Isthmus depend in a great measure on a person's habits there. You must consider well what you eat and drink. I would advise every 'boozie fighter' to stay away from Panama. I mean the habitual whisky drinkers.

"I confidently believe the Panama canal can be completed in five years; of course, not with typewriters, but by digging under energetic contractors and skillful engineering. The work of building that canal is not near such a gigantic task as the sub-railway of New York, or tunneling through five miles of solid granite, as has been done through the Rocky mountains for a transcontinental railroad."

Mr. Leslie is of the opinion that a policy of subdividing the forty-seven miles—the distance from ocean to ocean—into that many contracts and letting them out to one or more contractors would undoubtedly hasten the day of a final completion of the canal. This, of course, being under the supervision of the government, as it now stands. Under a concentrated, well-directed management he sees no reason why an isthmian canal cannot be completed in five or eight years.

### MRS. BULLARD IS IMPROVING

YOUNG WOMAN WHO SHOT HERSELF SUNDAY HAS CHANCE OF RECOVERY.

Mrs. Annie Bullard, the young woman who shot herself last Sunday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Story, was reported yesterday as being somewhat improved, and it is expected that unless complications arise she may recover.

Mrs. Bullard during the past few days has been resting very easy, and in fact much better than was to have been expected, considering the nature of the wound.

When the lady first shot herself it was not thought there was any possible chance for her recovery, but with careful attention she has shown some improvement during the past few days.

### WIFE OF SENATOR HURT IN MANILA

Manila, P. I., Aug. 13.—Mrs. Dubois, wife of Senator Dubois, of Idaho, is resting easy this (Sunday) morning. She was thrown from a carriage and rendered unconscious.

### THE NATIONAL RECORD FOR GIANT GOOSEBERRIES.

Denver, Colo., Aug. 12.—The largest gooseberries ever grown in Colorado and, so far as is known, anywhere in the country, are on exhibition in the State board of horticulture in this city. They measure in circumference three and one fourth inches, while the measurement around the poles is an even four inches. They were grown by a truck gardener within the city limits of Denver.

Situation More Hopeful at Close of Conference at Portsmouth Last Night.

### REPLY OF RUSSIA

Handed to Japanese By M. Witte at Morning Session.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT GIVEN OUT BY RUSSIAN SECRETARY ON BEHALF OF PLENIPOTENTIARIES—ANIMATED DISCUSSION AT BEGINNING OF AFTERNOON SESSION—WILL MEET AGAIN TODAY.

By Associated Press.

Portsmouth, Aug. 12.—The official announcement that there will be a conference tomorrow makes the situation much more hopeful than it looked earlier in the day, when it was persistently reported there was no hope of agreement.

ADJOURNED FOR DAY AT SEVEN O'CLOCK.

Portsmouth, Aug. 12.—The peace conference adjourned for the day at 7 o'clock this evening and both the Russian and Japanese plenipotentiaries went at once to the "Wentworth" houses in automobiles. M. Witte and Ambassador Rosen preceded the Japanese suite.

M. Korostev, on behalf of the plenipotentiaries, issued the following official statement regarding the afternoon session:

"The Japanese plenipotentiaries having studied the Russian answer to their conditions, the conference opened at 3 o'clock this afternoon to proceed with the discussion of the articles. The session finished at 7 o'clock. Tomorrow being Sunday, there will be no session until 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

### REPLY OF RUSSIA DELIVERED BY WITTE.

Portsmouth, Aug. 12.—The meeting of the peace conference this morning was brief. The weather was sweltering and added much to the discomfort of the envoys.

The session lasted a little more than an hour. The Russian reply was delivered by M. Witte and the meeting adjourned to give Baron Komura and his colleagues an opportunity to examine the document.

M. Witte courteously indicated that he would expect the same expedition in the Japanese response as had been observed in the Russian reply, which was readily assented to, after which the envoys immediately repaired to luncheon in the building.

The Japanese agreed to make response to the Russian reply at three o'clock this afternoon or at the same hour tomorrow.

The plenipotentiaries resumed the session at three o'clock and immediately entered into an animated discussion.

### TENNIS FINALS WERE PREVENTED BY RAIN.

By Associated Press. Atlanta, Aug. 12.—Rain to-day prevented the finals in the South Atlantic Tennis Tournament.

## BASEBALL August 12

By Associated Press.

Southern League. Atlanta 2, Birmingham 2, (seven innings, rain.) Memphis 6, Little Rock 5. Nashville 9, Montgomery 0, (first game.) Nashville 12, Montgomery 0, (second game.) New Orleans 3, Shreveport 0, (first game.) New Orleans 5, Shreveport 4, (second game.)

American League. Washington-Cleveland, rain. Boston-Chicago, rain. New York 2, Detroit 1. Philadelphia 6, St. Louis 4.

National League. St. Louis 0, New York 2. Chicago 2, Brooklyn 10. Cincinnati 2, Boston 0. Pittsburgh 8, Philadelphia 3.

South Atlantic League. Columbia 1, Charleston 6. Jacksonville 1, Macon 2, (eleven innings.) Savannah 3, Augusta 0.

### CELEBRATION IN CAPITAL OF RUSSIA

First Anniversary of Heir to Russian Throne Made a Gala Occasion.

By Associated Press.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 12.—The first anniversary of Grand Duke Alexis, heir to the Russian throne, was celebrated in a festive manner throughout Russia to-day. In St. Petersburg troops paraded to the music of a triumphant march written in honor of the birth of the Czarvitch. Banners were flying in all the streets and the capital is brilliantly illuminated to-night.

All government offices except the foreign office closed to-day and the ministers of state and heads of departments, and all persons whose rank entitled them to admission to the court went to Peterhof to offer felicitations to the emperor and empress and participate in the special natal mass.

## COCAINE SOLD AND ARRESTS FOLLOW

S. H. White and Sydney Kahn Placed Under Arrest Yesterday Afternoon.

Two arrests for a violation of the cocaine selling ordinance were made yesterday afternoon, when S. H. White, druggist for John Sheppard, and Sydney Kahn, both doing business on Palafox street, were taken into custody upon the charge of selling cocaine.

Both the druggists will appear Monday morning before the recorder, having given bond for their appearance at that time.

For some months the lower class of women in Pensacola have been using cocaine, so the police claim, in large quantities, and notwithstanding the city ordinance and the state laws, they have been able to secure it from druggists.

Recently Marshal Schae and his officers began working upon the matter, and as a result two arrests were made yesterday. Parties went to the drug stores and it is alleged, purchased the drug, returning with it to the police station, where warrants were made for the arrests.

The city laws are very strict in this regard, the ordinance covering the same having been passed about one year since, owing to the fact that crime was on the increase on account of the use of the drug. The ordinance covering the sale of cocaine is as follows:

"Be it ordained by the mayor and council of the City of Pensacola:

"Section 1. That it shall be unlawful within the limits of the City of Pensacola, for any druggist, or other dealer in drugs, or merchandise or any other person, to sell and dispose of the drug, or alkaloid, known as cocaine, or its salts, except upon the written prescription of a duly licensed physician, which said prescription shall not be filled but once. Nothing herein shall apply to manufacturers, making and selling cocaine at wholesale, or to sales thereof for use by dentists, physicians, hospitals and infirmaries.

"Section 2. Any person convicted of violating this ordinance shall be punished by a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars, or by imprisonment not exceeding sixty days, or by both such fines and imprisonment, in the discretion of the judge of the police court."

Cloudburst Floods Stores. Canton, Miss., Aug. 12.—A cloudburst this afternoon provided the heaviest rainfall for many years. Six inches of rain fell in an hour. All low places in the town are overflowed, and water is running into several stores in Depot Street. It is believed that great damage will result to crops.

## PREPARING FOR WILLIAMS TRIAL



WILLIAM F. WILLIAMS, Whose Trial for the Murder of John White and Edwin Dansby Commences Tomorrow.

Sheriff and His Deputies Scouring the County for Witnesses and Jurors.

### THE SPECIAL VENIRE

And Regular Jury Will Report In Court Monday Morning.

WILLIAMS IS STILL OF THE OPINION THAT HE WILL NOT HANG, BUT APPEARS TO BE SOMEWHAT UNEASY—NAMES OF THE REGULAR PANEL AND SPECIAL VENIRE.

Preparations for the commencement of the trial of William F. Williams were in progress yesterday. The sheriff and several of his deputies ready to commence the examination of witnesses.

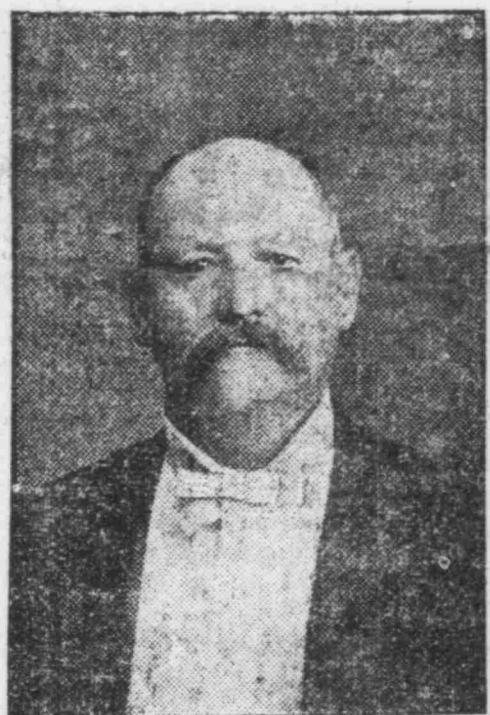
During the day the mother and sister of Williams visited him at the county jail, where they remained for some time in conversation with the prisoner.

Williams seems to realize more thoroughly now than at any time the seriousness of the crime with which he is charged, although he still ap-

### RUSSIAN VESSEL FLOATED BY JAPS

Tokio, Aug. 12.—The Russian cruiser Pallada, which was sunk at Port Arthur, was refloated this morning.

### Victims of William Fletcher Williams



JOHN WHITE



EDWIN C. DANSBY

## CHANDLER EGAN AGAIN WINS AT GOLF

Successfully Defended the Championship at Wheaton Links Yesterday.

By Associated Press.

Chicago Golf Club, Wheaton, Ill., Aug. 12.—H. Chandler Egan successfully defended his title of champion in the eleventh annual tournament at the links here to-day, defeating D. E. Sawyer, of Wheaton, 6 up, 5 to play, in the singles.

When the great throng surged about the winner and offered congratulations on his second victory in the national event, Mr. Egan blushed like a school boy. He intends to enter the business world soon and will confine his golf play, after coming from the Exmore annual tournament, to Saturday afternoon club matches.

Egan gets the second U. S. G. A. massive gold medal and the Haver-meyer trophy remains with Exmore for the year.

## Troops May Be Called Out Over Telegraphers Strike

By Associated Press. St. Paul, Aug. 12.—It is learned here that negotiations are pending between the Western Union Telegraph Company and the Federal government to put troops about the telegraph stations in Montana where it is reported strikers have captured the telegraph

lines by cutting wires. If this is done communication in that country will be restored and the operators able to work with comparative safety in many isolated places in the west and especially in mining towns where unions are very strong and where an operator who takes a striker's place takes his life in his hands.